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Michigan Winter Wheat Production

Michigan winter wheat growers still expect a new record statewide yield, though overall expected yield dropped 2 bushels from May, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan producers expect to harvest 560,000 acres, up 85,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 45.9 million bushels. The yield forecast of 82 bushels would be 1 bushel above last year's record high. Wheat condition improved from last month, and continues to be in significantly better condition than the same time last year. Growers are very optimistic about the crop, even as maturity is lagging slightly behind the five year average. As of May 29, winter wheat condition was rated at 1% very poor, 3% poor, 19% fair, 58% good, and 19% excellent

Nationally, Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.51 billion bushels, up 6 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 10 percent from 2015. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 50.5 bushels per acre, up 2.7 bushel from last month and up 8 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be the highest yield on record for the United States

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – Michigan and United States: 2014 - 2016

Commodity	Michigan			United States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Wheat, winter						
Planted1,000 acres	550	510	580	42,409	39,461	36,216
Harvested1,000 acres	470	475	560	32,299	32,257	29,831
Yield Bushels	74.0	81.0	82.0	42.6	42.5	50.5
Production 1,000 bu	34,780	38,475	45,920	1,377,216	1,370,188	1,506,626